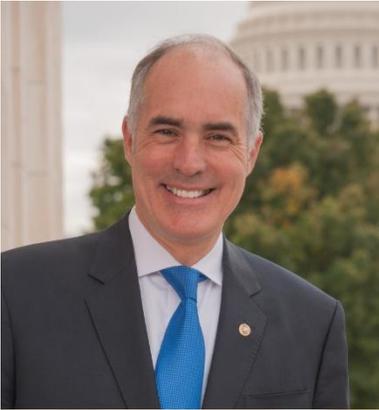


## 2018 Democratic Candidates on Tredyffrin Township's May 15 Primary Ballot



**Senator Bob Casey:** Bob has served the people of Pennsylvania as Auditor General, State Treasurer, and U.S. Senator since 2006. In Harrisburg, Bob focused on making government more accountable and responsive to the needs of Pennsylvanians. Since he was elected to the United States Senate, Bob has worked to create family-sustaining jobs and foster financial security for Pennsylvania families; protect our children and invest in their futures; ensure safety at home and respect for America abroad; promote honesty and accountability in government; preserve the dignity of the vulnerable of all ages among us; and advocate for his constituents and help them solve problems they face. Bob, an attorney, and his wife Terese have four daughters and live in Scranton. Find out more at: <https://bobcasey.com/>



**Chrissy Houlahan for Congress, 6<sup>th</sup> District:** Chrissy is running for Congress to defend our American values, expand economic opportunity, and give Pennsylvania families a powerful new voice in Congress. She is a veteran and business leader who will bring her decades of experience and commitment to public service to Washington. A powerful advocate for expanding economic opportunity, Chrissy has helped create hundreds of jobs in Southeastern Pennsylvania. She attended Stanford on an ROTC scholarship, and went on to serve in the U.S. Air Force before going on to earn her master's degree from MIT and growing and running several successful businesses. Seeking to give back, Chrissy taught 11th grade chemistry in North Philadelphia through Teach for America. Most recently, she has served as President of Springboard Collaborative, an educational organization focused on early childhood

literacy. Chrissy lives with her husband Bart in Easttown Township, where they raised their two grown daughters. Learn more about Chrissy at: <https://www.chrissyhoulahanforcongress.com/>



**Tom Wolf for Governor of Pennsylvania:** First elected in 2014, Tom is running for re-election. He has battled a Republican majority in both the state House and Senate for adequate funding for education, social services, infrastructure and fair elections. He fully restored the \$1 billion cut to education made under the Corbett administration. He was at the forefront in the battle to secure a fair congressional map for Pennsylvania and will fight to end gerrymandering. He will continue to stand up to Donald Trump's attempts to gut Medicaid, increase premiums, charge seniors an age tax, and strip coverage from people with pre-existing conditions, women, and seniors. He is committed to commonsense gun safety reform, criminal justice reform and 21<sup>st</sup> century voting reforms. He supports the permanent ban of hydraulic fracturing for oil and gas in the Delaware River Basin and has stood up to Trump's proposed cuts to the Environmental Protection Agency. Governor Wolf signed a bill that legalized medical marijuana. He secured funding for 45 treatment centers that will treat more than 11,000 individuals for substance use disorder. He provided health care to over 125,000 individuals suffering from addiction, by expanding Medicaid. As governor, he will continue to be Pennsylvania's last defense against steep cuts to vital programs and turning back the clock on women's reproductive rights. <https://www.wolfforpa.com/>

Visit [www.ttdems.com](http://www.ttdems.com) to review your Primary Day sample ballot. Note all Tredyffrin precincts have the same ballot - with the exception of "Democratic County Committee" – your Precinct Committeepersons. Please vote for two.



**Kathi Cozzone for Lieutenant Governor:** PA is one of 18 states that provides for the election of a lieutenant governor, who also serves as president of the Pa. Senate. For 11 years, Kathi has served as one of Chester County's three commissioners and the only Democrat. She views serving as lieutenant governor as an opportunity to not only make the legislature more aware of its effect on local governments but to continue the work she's started in Chester County. That includes workforce development, keeping non-violent offenders with a mental illness out of the criminal justice system and fighting for pipeline reform. Kathi was appointed by Governor Wolf to his Pipeline Infrastructure Task Force, and will advocate for recommendations made in that body's report. When it comes to the state's budget quagmire, Kathi believes she can reach across the aisle. With a background in

financial planning and management, she has a track record of working successfully with her Republican colleagues on behalf of the people of Chester County, and she is committed to doing the same in Harrisburg. Kathi lives with her husband, Victor and her son in Exton. Find out more at: [www.cozzoneforpa.com](http://www.cozzoneforpa.com)



### **Melissa Shusterman for PA Representative for the 157<sup>th</sup>**

**District:** Melissa is a fourth generation Phoenixville resident, a Conestoga graduate and an entrepreneur who started a successful digital video business. She is Chair of the Chester County Democratic Committee's Women's Caucus. She is running on the message, "Common sense before politics" and believes it is more important than ever for regular citizens, not career politicians, to get involved and champion vital programs being cut from the federal and state budgets. She is committed to bipartisan collaboration to balance the state budget and reduce our debt. She will fight to preserve our beautiful open space, eliminate the Keystone tests, and help citizens access the healthcare they need. She supports common-sense gun safety measures that will make our schools and communities safer, including universal background checks on all gun sales in Pennsylvania and a ban on assault weapons. In addition to providing top-notch education to our students and investing in local infrastructure, Melissa believes we must provide paths to prosperity for all of citizens. Gerrymandering has led to a

Republican-dominated legislature that does not reflect the will of the people. She supports two bills that have languished in committee for the last year - HB722 and SB22. Both call for a constitutional amendment to take politics out of drawing state and federal district lines and make it the responsibility of an independent citizens' commission. Pennsylvania is the only major gas producing state that does not have a severance tax, and Melissa supports one – a case of putting common sense before politics. She is committed to fighting the opioid crisis by focusing on prevention, treatment, recovery, as well as criminal justice reform. She lives with her husband Hans and son in Phoenixville. <http://www.melissashusterman.com/>

**PA Democratic State Committee:** Every 4 years, voters elect EIGHT representatives from Chester County to represent them on the state's Democratic Committee. **The Democratic State Committee is the governing body of the Pennsylvania Democratic Party.** Founded in 1792, the Committee is responsible for promoting the guiding principles and core values of the Party. The PADSD meet three times each year. They hold nominating conventions for statewide candidates, pass and promote a platform, and pass resolutions. The professional staff raises money and coordinates strategies to elect Democrats up and down the ballot across the Commonwealth. On Primary Day, look for information at the polls with brief biographies of all **18 candidates** on the ballot.

**The TTDEMS voted to endorse three Tredyffrin residents –1) Elva Bankins Baxter, 25-year resident, successful business owner, leadership consultant, and Bd. member of Chester County Women's Commission; 2) Dennis Mc Andrews, a 40+ year resident, an attorney who represents individuals with disabilities and teaches at Villanova and Immaculata Universities; and 3) Hans van Mol, an incumbent who serves as chair of the Chester County Young Democrats, an officer of PA Young Democrats, and is a life-long resident, a TESD and WCU graduate.**

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Join us at our monthly meetings at the Township Building on the third Wednesday of the month, 7:30-9 pm